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TAGS OVIP TW (MADAME CHIANG KAI-SHEK)

SUBJECT: VISIT OF MADAME CHIANG KAI-SHEK

REF STATE 220078 AND STATE 220588

1. AT MADAME CHIANG'S DEPARTURE CEREMONY THIS MORNING I WAS ABLE TO INFORM HER THAT ASSISTANT CHIEF OF PROTOCOL FRANK L. KELLOGG WILL BE MEETING HER PLANE IN NEW YORK AND BE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST HER WITH ARRIVAL FORMALITIES. SHE EXPRESSED HER PLEASURE AT THIS AND HER THANKS ALSO FOR ALL OTHER ARRANGEMENTS WHICH STATE AND US MILITARY OFFICIALS HAVE WORED OST.

2. UNFORTUNATELY, LIMITED TIME FOR CONVERSATION MADE IT IMPOSSIBLE TO LEARN FROM HER WHERE SHE WILL BE STAYING IN NEW YORK AND WHERE SHE WILL BE UNDERGOING MEDICAL TREATMENT. FOREIGN MINISTER

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WAS UNABLE TO ENLIGHTEN ME ON THIS AND OBSERVED THAT DECEASE

OVER RECENT YEARS OF HER CLOSE RELATIVES IN STATES WILL REQUIRE
CHANGES IN WHAT HAD BEEN HER CUSTOMARY LIVING ARRANGEMENTS IN US.
SUGGEST ROC CONSUL GENERAL NEW YORK KONSIN SHAH OR AMBASSADOR SHEN
IN WASHINGTON AS BEST SOURCES.

3. ALTHOUGH FREQUENT REFERENCES MADE OVER RECENT MONTHS TO
MADAME CHIANG'S FRAILTY THERE HAS BEEN NO MENTION OF CANCER
WHICH HAS REACHED OUR EARS. SHE WAS ABLE TO WALK PERHAPS A
COUPLE OF HUNDRED YARDS WITHOUT SUPPORT FROM LIMOUSINE TO
AIRCRAFT AND TO SHAKE HANDS WITH MOST OF GROC TOP BRASS AND OLD
GUARD AND CHIANG FAMILY RETAINERS, NUMBERING OVER A HUNDRED.

4. TOP GROC OFFICIALS HAVE EXPRESSED THEIR WARM THANKS FOR
ARRANGEMENTS MADE BY US AUTHORITIES HERE, ALONG THE WAY AND IN
THE US.
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